

women's health made a difference for countless women in the U.S. and around the world.

Dr. Stewart's keen mind and affinity for medicine were apparent from her distinguished educational background. She received her bachelor of arts degree from the University of California, Berkeley, graduating Phi Beta Kappa and with honors in biochemistry. In 1969, she received her M.D. degree from Harvard University Medical School. She did her postgraduate training at Cambridge City Hospital in Massachusetts and at the University of California, San Francisco Medical Center.

Dr. Stewart's passion for empowering women through increased access to reproductive health services was evident throughout her extraordinary career. Dr. Stewart began her practice in obstetrics and gynecology in Sacramento, working for Sutter Medical Group, doing clinical research with a focus on contraceptives. She also worked as associate medical director of Planned Parenthood in Sacramento.

In 1994, Dr. Stewart was appointed Deputy Assistant Secretary for Population Affairs in the Clinton administration's Department of Health and Human Services, HHS. Working with then-Secretary of HHS Donna Shalala, Dr. Stewart was the senior expert responsible for family planning.

In 1996, she became director of Reproductive Health Programs at the Henry J. Kaiser Family Foundation in Menlo Park, CA. She was most recently codirector of the Bixby Center for Reproductive Health Research and Policy at UCSF.

Dr. Stewart wrote "Understanding Your Body: Everywoman's Guide to a Lifetime of Health," 1987, and "My Body, My Health: The Concerned Woman's Guide to Gynecology and Health," 1979. She cowrote "Contraceptive Technology," a major professional reference book that has been published in 18 editions, and "Emergency Contraception: The Nation's Best Kept Secret." She also published nearly 100 scientific journal articles.

Dr. Stewart's passionate and reasoned advocacy for increasing access to emergency contraception brought national attention to this critical women's health issue. Dr. Stewart was instrumental in conducting research which established that emergency contraception was safe and effective without a physician's prescription. Her research has helped increase access to emergency contraception in pharmacies throughout California.

In 1973, after *Roe v. Wade* was handed down, none of us thought we still would be fighting the same battle to protect fundamental women's reproductive rights in 2006. But the fight is more challenging than ever. Not only are we fighting to maintain abortion rights, but access to comprehensive health services, including contraception.

Dr. Felicia Stewart was at the forefront of that fight throughout her career. Her work helped prevent countless unintended pregnancies and em-

powered women to take control of their reproductive health. Dr. Stewart impacted many lives, from the women and men she served in clinics to the doctors, researchers and activists she inspired to follow in her footsteps. She leaves us with the inspiration to work harder and never give up the fight to secure the full range of reproductive health services for women. She leaves a lasting legacy that will not be forgotten.

Dr. Stewart is survived by her son Matthew Stewart and daughter Kathryn Stewart; her parents Lena and Harold Hance; her brother Allan Hance; stepchildren Tammy Barlow, Wayne Stewart, and Michael Stewart.

I am proud to have stood with Dr. Felicia Stewart in our fight to increase access to women's reproductive health services. She was a wonderful ally and supporter of my work in the Senate. She will be greatly missed. ●

TRIBUTE TO MEL STREETER

● Ms. CANTWELL. Mr. President, earlier this summer, Seattle lost one of its most impressive and inspiring leaders. As an outstanding architect and an extraordinary man, Mel Streeter left his mark on our community and changed the lives of so many.

When he died on Monday, June 12, we lost a great friend and a true pioneer.

For more than 50 years, Mel's dedication, optimism, and good cheer made him a Seattle institution. For years to come, his creativity, generosity, and mentorship will provide a model and an inspiration.

As one of the first African-American architects to lead a Seattle firm, Mel broke down barriers and created new opportunities for others who followed.

As a proud and active member of Tabor 100, the America Institute of Architects Seattle Diversity Roundtable, and the Seattle Planning Commission, he strengthened our region and shaped its growth.

And as a tireless advocate for low-income and senior housing, Mel showed his bold spirit and his big heart.

His ingenuity and influence live on across the Pacific Northwest.

We are all so lucky to have seen Mel's vision made real in beautiful structures across our State. We are luckier still to have had him in our lives.

Next week, the people of Seattle will come together at a special memorial ceremony to celebrate Mel Streeter's life. My prayers and thoughts are with his wife Kathy and sons Doug, Jon, Ken, and Kurt. May your memories serve always as a source of comfort. ●

125TH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT

● Mr. CARPER. Mr. President, today I commemorate the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War on the occasion of its 125th National Encampment being held August 10 through the 14 in Harrisburg, PA. The event honors the brave men who fought to preserve our Nation during the Civil War.

In 1866, Union Veterans of the Civil War organized into the Grand Army of the Republic, GAR, and became a social and political force that would control the destiny of the Nation for more than six decades. Membership in the veterans' organization was restricted to individuals who had served in the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, or Revenue Cutter Service during the Civil War. In 1881, the GAR formed the Sons of Veterans of the United States of America to carry on its traditions and memory. On August 20, 1954, the U.S. Congress, under the leadership of GEN Douglas MacArthur and GEN Ulysses S. Grant, III, formally chartered the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

Today, more than 6,500 members represent the Union Veterans of the Civil War throughout the United States. Their members devote a great deal of time, energy, and resources to preserve the history of the civil war in schools throughout the United States. They study the American Civil War from all perspectives in order to facilitate a deeper understanding of one of the most important events in our Nation's history.

In closing, I would like to again praise the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War on the occasion of its anniversary for its work to perpetuate and honor the brave men who fought for us to preserve our Nation. As a veteran myself, I understand the importance of honoring our veterans and preserving our history, especially that of the Civil War. I hope my colleagues in the Senate join me in honoring the work of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. ●

125TH ANNIVERSARY OF MAYVILLE, ND

● Mr. CONRAD. Mr. President, today I wish to recognize a community in North Dakota that recently celebrated its 125th anniversary. On July 27-30, the residents of Mayville gathered to celebrate their community's history and founding.

Mayville's post office first opened on June 20, 1877, under the guidance of Mrs. Alvin Arnold, who served as the postmaster. It is believed that the community may have been named after her daughter May or for the wife of another postmaster in a nearby town. In 1888, led by Mayor E.M. Paulson, Mayville became a city.

Today, Mayville is thriving. Located in the beautiful Goose River Valley, Mayville prides itself on providing residents with a nice country living. Low crime, excellent education, and diverse economic opportunities set Mayville apart.

Mayville is also home to Mayville State University, which offers 2-year and 4-year liberal arts and professional degrees to over 700 students of all ages. Mayville State was the fourth university in the Nation to provide all of its

students with a notebook computer. It is also home to the Traill County Technology Center, a business incubator.

Mayville celebrated its 125th anniversary with a weekend of events that included parades, auctions, an all-school reunion, and community breakfasts.

Mr. President, I ask the Senate to join me in congratulating Mayville, ND, and its residents on their first 125 years and in wishing them well through the next century. By honoring Mayville and all the other historic small towns of North Dakota, we keep the great pioneering frontier spirit alive for future generations. It is places such as Mayville that have helped to shape this country into what it is today, which is why this fine community is deserving of our recognition.

Mayville has a proud past and a bright future.●

THE LIFE OF LEON EPSTEIN

● Mr. FEINGOLD. Mr. President, today I wish to honor the memory of Leon Epstein, someone who contributed a great deal to the University of Wisconsin and the study of political science, and someone I was proud to know.

Leon, who passed away on Tuesday, was a native Wisconsinite who gave back to our State through his dedicated work both as a scholar and an administrator at UW. Born in 1919 in Beaver Dam, he went on to study at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, where he earned a B.A. and then an M.A. in economics. He then spent virtually his entire academic career on the Madison campus, where for 40 years he was a beloved fixture in the political science department—a department from which I was proud to graduate. He made an impact on countless students as he taught introductory courses and supervised doctoral dissertations for four decades.

Throughout his life, Leon remained dedicated to his own research and independent work. He received many prestigious fellowship grants and published six books. He was widely recognized for his book “Political Parties in Western Democracies,” which received the first book award from the Political Organizations and Parties Section of the American Political Science Association. He also served as president of the Midwest Political Science Association, the British Politics Group, and the American Political Science Association.

Leon also held the position of dean of the College of Letters and Science from 1965 to 1969. In every capacity, Leon earned the respect and friendship of those with whom he worked. He was someone I admired, both for who he was and for the many outstanding contributions he made to the study of political science. He leaves behind a great legacy. People will study his work for many years to come. And those of us who knew him will remember a man of tremendous character who gave so

much to a university and a State that he loved. He will be greatly missed.●

THE RETIREMENT OF JIM BARR

● Mr. KOHL. Mr. President, today I wish to honor my friend, James Barr III, a respected citizen of Wisconsin and a distinguished business executive, who has served with integrity and distinction as president and chief executive officer of TDS Telecommunication Corporation since 1990. Mr. Barr is stepping down from his position with TDS later this year.

Jim Barr has built a strong business model for TDS Telecom that is widely admired and emulated in the corporate world. Under his leadership, TDS Telecom has become a strong customer-focused organization that has won numerous customer service awards, including the prestigious JD Power and Associates annual award for exceptional customer care. He has created a vigorous and vital business organization with over 3,200 employees serving 1.2 million customers in 29 States. The company is now the sixth largest independent telephone company in the Nation.

Jim Barr has given of his personal time not only in his service to several national telecommunications industry boards but to numerous prestigious public service organizations, including the United Way of Dane County, WI.

Jim Barr has been an exemplary leader. His efforts have brought a higher quality of life to the people who have served with him and to the community he has served. He is, however, first and foremost, a loving and supportive husband to Joan, his wife of 45 years, a caring and understanding father to his four children, and a proud and devoted grandfather to eight grandchildren.

Mr. President, I therefore honor Jim Barr today for his outstanding contributions to the telecommunications industry as well as Wisconsin. He is a visionary and a builder, leader and a mentor, a beloved husband, father, and grandfather, and I am proud to call him my friend.●

TRIBUTE TO DR. WALTER F. MORRISON, JR.

● Mr. LOTT. Mr. President, I wish to recognize and pay tribute to Dr. Walter F. Morrison, Jr., Deputy Director of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Research and Development Center, ERDC, in recognition of his exceptional contributions to the Nation. Dr. Morrison will soon retire with over 30 years service to the Nation as a U.S. Army soldier and civilian leader. His efforts over these years and his most recent leadership in integrating and restructuring the Corps of Engineers Research and Development has been exceptional and will have a significant, long-term positive effect on the lives of our soldiers in combat and the safety of our citizens.

Dr. Morrison was commissioned a second lieutenant in the U.S. Army and served on active duty at the former Ballistic Research Laboratory, BRL as a first lieutenant and captain after graduating in physics from the Georgia Institute of Technology Reserve Officer Training Program in 1976. Upon completion of his military service he continued with the BRL as a civilian employee. Over the next several years he took on positions within the lab of ever increasing responsibility culminating in an assignment as the chief of the Terminal Effects Division with the responsibility for advanced lethality and survivability mechanisms, concepts, and designs for future Army land warfare systems.

In 1998, Dr. Morrison was selected as a member of the Senior Executive Service and assigned as the director for research and laboratory management, Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Army, Acquisition, Logistics and Technology. There, he was responsible for the Army Basic Research, Applied Research programs for the Army Research Laboratory, Army Research Institute, Corps of Engineers, and Simulation, Training and Instrumentation Command, as well as several Army-wide programs including Environment Quality Technology, Manufacturing Technology, and Army High Performance Computing. He also oversaw laboratory management policy for all Army laboratories and research centers.

Dr. Morrison has over 80 technical publications. He was elected a fellow of the Ballistic Research Laboratory in 1992 and has been awarded the Department of the Army Decoration for Exceptional Civilian Service Award, the Department of the Army Meritorious Civilian Service Award, the Army Superior Civilian Service Award, the Army Research and Development Achievement Award, and the Army Engineer Association Bronze and Silver de Fleury Medals. He received the bachelor's, masters and doctorate degrees in physics from the Georgia Institute of Technology.

Throughout his career, Dr. Morrison demonstrated a profound commitment to the Army, the Corps of Engineers, and the Nation. He is a consummate professional whose performance in over 30 years of service has personified those traits of competency and integrity that our Nation has come to expect of its senior civilian leaders.

I ask my colleagues to join me in thanking Dr. Morrison for his honorable service to the U.S. Army and the Nation. We wish him and his family Godspeed and all the best in the future.●

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Ms. Evans, one of his secretaries.